

## *Christ Church*

### **Prelude**

### **Moments of Concern**

**Call to Worship:** *Psalm 40:5* – Many, O LORD my God, are Your wonderful works which You have done; and Your thoughts toward us cannot be recounted to You in order; if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered.

**Heidelberg Catechism:** Lord's Day 9 (pages 12-13)

*Q. What do you believe when you say: "I believe in God the Father, almighty, maker of heaven and earth"?*

A. That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by His eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ His Son. I trust Him so much that I do not doubt He will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and He will turn to my good whatever adversity He sends me in this sad world. He is able to do this because He is almighty God; He desires to do this because He is a faithful Father.

**\*Hymn of Adoration:** 352 *"Blessed Be the Name"*

**Call to Confession:** *Psalm 39:7-8* – "And now, Lord, what do I wait for?"

My hope is in You. Deliver me from all my transgressions; do not make me the reproach of the foolish."

**Prayer of Confession:** Father in heaven, we have sinned against You in that we have taken Your love but have not loved You as we should. We have taken Your goodness for granted and by our complaining have accused You of mishandling Your world. Forgive us for our lack of

trust in You and our lack of surrender to Your wise plans for us and also for the poor testimony this lack of faith creates. In pride we have exalted ourselves against Your rule and have acted as if we have no Father. For the sake of Jesus who paid for our adoption into Your family by His blood, have mercy on us and cleanse us from all uncleanness. We pray in His Name. Amen.

### **Agnus Dei:**

**Women & Children:** O Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

**Men:** O Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

**All:** O Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us your peace. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon:** *Romans 8:1* – There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

**Gloria Patri:** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**Collect of the Day (unison):** Father in heaven, as Your Son yearned for the salvation of those You gave Him, even sacrificing His life to save us, we thank You for the privilege of being called to participate in the process of gathering the elect, and we ask for grace to courageously and sacrificially give ourselves to the building of Your kingdom. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*Old Testament Lesson:** *Isaiah 66:5-13* (page 663)

**\*Epistle Lesson:** *Hebrews 5:7-9*

<sup>7</sup> who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, <sup>8</sup> though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered.

<sup>9</sup> And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him...

**\*Gospel Lesson:** *Luke 6:22-23*

<sup>22</sup> Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you, and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of Man's sake.

<sup>23</sup> Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed your reward is great in heaven, for in like manner their fathers did to the prophets.

### **Children's Sermon**

**\*Hymn of Preparation:** *Psalms 136:1-9* (back of bulletin)

**Sermon:** *Isaiah 66:5-13*

### **Prayers of the People**

**Lord's Prayer (unison):** Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

### **Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

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**\*Offertory Response:** Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Hymn of Response:** Praise Book #34 "*In Christ Alone*"

**\*Benediction**

**\*Threefold Amen**

**\*Postlude**